

City Swelters in 100-plus Temperatures



BEAT THE HEAT—That seems to be the general idea of Davie Perkins, who at the ripe old age of one, has no false modesty about doffing those nasty old clothes the Big People put on him. But even without clothes, it was still a sizzling 105 degrees here Thursday and dropped to a "cool" 102 degrees Friday.

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Heat Wave Reaches Woolley Top of 105 Degrees To Head Lawyers

Torrance sweltered under a blistering heat wave which pushed the mercury to 105 degrees at its height at 11:30 a.m., Thursday. No human casualties were reported from the heat, but Harvey T. Floyd, of 22003 Ravenna Ave. lost more than 50 chinchillas who died from the heat. Although three degrees cooler, Friday was another sizzler, with the mercury reaching a high of 102 degrees.

Boy, 4, Sets Fire To Home

A four-year-old boy was believed to have started a fire which caused an estimated \$2000 loss to his parents' home Thursday morning.

Fire Marshal Robert Lucas said the fire started in the closet of a home at 4927 Cadison St. shortly before 8 a.m. while the boy's mother, Mrs. Selmar Masterson was in the kitchen.

The boy, Dennis, was apparently playing with matches in the closet of his bedroom. As the flames spread, the youngster screamed for help. The bedroom and closet was gutted, and its contents destroyed, while smoke damage varying from light to moderate, was caused to other parts of the home.

"It was probably an accident, caused by curiosity," Lucas said.

In another fire, approximately \$100 damage was caused to the Rendezvous Club, 1327 Cabrillo Ave. early Friday morning. Firemen said the fire apparently originated in the refrigerator.

School Teacher Wins 'Y' Award

Mrs. Cathryn Chisholm, Torrance High School social science teacher, was presented the Al Turner trophy at the annual Torrance YMCA Good Neighbor Breakfast Saturday.

The teacher was honored for the help in extracurricular activities of students as well as for her teaching abilities.

Mrs. Chisholm, of 2415 Sonoma Ave. sponsors the Future Teachers Club and is former president of the Torrance Education Advisory Committee.

Downtown Plan for Apartments Studies Here

A proposal to rezone parts of the downtown area for apartment houses, was taken under study by the Planning Commission Wednesday.

Commissioner William King suggested that the R-2 area, bounded by Cabrillo and Arlington Aves., Carson St. and Plaza del Amo be changed to an R-3 zone to permit eventual apartment construction in this district.

The low, both Thursday and Wednesday nights was 61 degrees. The heat wave started Monday with a high of 84 degrees, Tuesday it was 88, Wednesday 95, according to records at the North Torrance fire station, the official weather station for this area.

One big complaint voiced in Torrance was that the Benstead Plunge has been closed for the year, and could not be reopened during the hot spell because all the water had been drained out. Long Beach was even hotter than Torrance, Thursday, with a high of 111 degrees recorded there.

The one compensation factor was the absence of smog during the heat wave. As far as could be determined, it was the hottest Oct. 16 and 17 in the city's history.

Residents could also be cheered by the fact that this week's mercury reading fell short of the record 110.5 noted here Sept. 1, 1955.

Order Street Work

Extension of existing street pavement to the parkway island on the east side of Main St. between 229th and 235th Sts. was ordered today by County Supervisor Burton W. Chace.

According to the Supervisor, recent traffic counts indicate that approximately 10,000 cars and trucks travel this section of roadway daily.

Rolling Hills Accused of Blocking Work on Extension of Hawthorne Boulevard

Rolling Hills Estates was urged by County Road Commissioner Sam R. Kennedy today to allow the County to build the "missing link" of Hawthorne Blvd. to provide the Peninsula with a north-south traffic artery. "The problem of inadequate roads, which has plagued Palos Verdes residents seems headed for rapid solution, except for this one major obstacle—the refusal of the city of Rolling Hills Estates to approve our plans for that portion of the new Hawthorne passing through the city," Kennedy said.

"This inaction is holding up and rendering ineffective more than two million dollars worth of highway construction."

Litigation
Years of litigation over Spanish land grants, the depression of the 1930's and World War II prevented any extensive development of the peninsula until 1946. Development during this period was in terms of large estates and

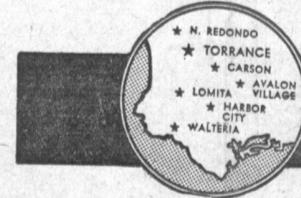


BORIS S. WOOLLEY
Torrance Attorney Boris S. Woolley will be installed as president of the South Bay Bar Association Wednesday in the Redondo Beach Elks Club.

Other new officers of the attorney group will be William Hollingsworth, vice president, William Sweeney, secretary, LeRoy L. Center, treasurer. Members of the board of trustees will be Torrance City Attorney Stanley Remelmeier, Walter N. Anderson, Donald Davidson, Lowell L. Dryden, Thomas W. Fredricks, James M. Hall, Jack R. Stearns, and Mark Wood.

Woolley who was admitted to the bar in 1941, and has practiced in Torrance since his discharge. During World War II, he saw service in Africa and Italy, and was attached to the British Army as a member of the Allied Commission.

His wife, Margaret, is also an attorney.



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Youth in Shooting to Be Tried as an Adult

Youth Hurt While Officers Give Ticket

The scene of a traffic citation Wednesday night turned into an accident scene, when a car slammed into the rear of a police car.

James A. Rowe, 17, of Hawthorne, who was standing in front of the squad car, talking to the officers, was pinned between the police car and the auto which had been stopped for a citation. He was treated for bruised legs at Harbor General Hospital.

Officers said they had stopped the car of Leroy Eugene Bradley, of 18421 Gramercy Place. While Rowe was talking to the officers, a third auto, driven by Edmund Jay Brock, 37, of 17524 S. Figueroa, slammed into the rear of the police car. Brock was booked on suspicion of drunk driving.

The accident occurred on 174th St., near Elgar Ave.

In a two-car collision on 174th St., and Yukon Ave., the drivers of both cars were taken to Harbor General Hospital for treatment.

Police identified them as Jeanne Sebeck, 26, of 2110 W. 166th Place, and Amado F. Guerra, 37, of 18914 Florwood Ave.

Prizes, Entertainment Top Shoppers Market Opening

Grand opening of the new Shoppers Market at Carson and Main Sts., will be celebrated this Thursday, Friday and Saturday with entertainment, prizes and special sales events.

Congressman Cecil R. King will preside over the formal ribbon cutting ceremony Thursday at 9 a.m. at the huge new super-market. Among the fabulous prizes offered during the grand opening, will be a Triumph sedan, a \$339 Gaffers and Sattler range, and four, three-day vacations for two to Wilbur Clark's famous Desert Inn in Las Vegas, company officials said.

Opening prizes for the store at 100 E. Carson St., will remain in effect for seven days.

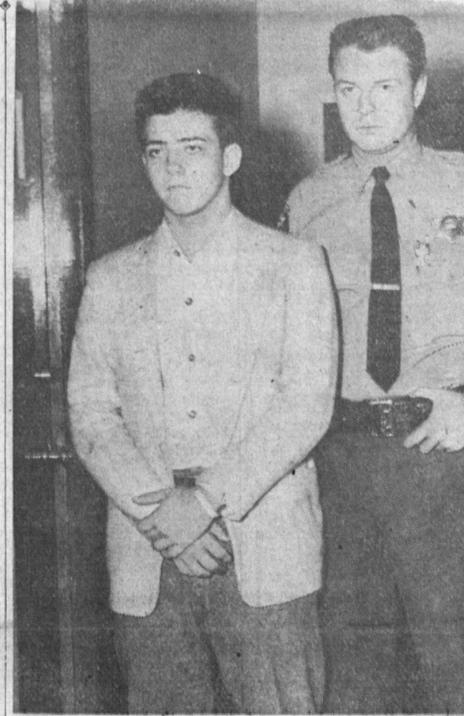
Other attractions include the appearance of Jon Arnett, famous back for the Los Angeles Rams, who will give out autographed pictures and other surprises to youngsters on Saturday from 11 a.m. to noon.

The official Whirlybird Helicopter, as seen on television every Monday, will land at the new market parking lot at 11 a.m. Saturday, with free rides offered to lucky youngsters. All children will receive a pair of Whirlybird pilot wings as well as other gifts.

Skipper Frank, star of "Carson Carusel" and "Bugs Bunny and Friends" as well as his sidekick, Julius, will appear at the store Thursday at 7:30 p.m. The program will include contests, prizes and a magic show.

PROCLAIM U.S. DAY

Oct. 23 was officially designated United States Day in a proclamation issued this week by Mayor Albert Isen.



Boy, 16, Held for Shooting

Wilburn A. Henderson, the 16-year-old youth accused of the shooting, rape and robbery of a South High School co-ed, will be tried as an adult.

The Colorado Springs, Colo. youth, was arraigned Friday before Municipal Judge Donald Armstrong on charges of attempted murder, rape and robbery.

His preliminary hearing was set for Oct. 28 in Torrance Municipal Court, and his bail was set at \$10,000.

The girl victim, 15, has recovered from a bullet wound fired into her chest during the Aug. 28 shooting in her Seaside Heights home.

Arrested
Henderson was apprehended about one hour later by a Redondo Beach policeman, who recognized him from a description, although the youth had changed his clothing and dyed his hair. The girl told police that the suspect came to her home and forced her to submit to him.

Later, when her boy friend came to the house, she screamed and was shot with a gun. Henderson told police he got it from a drunk in Sacramento.

Hits Boy
He pistol-whipped the boy friend, Spencer Sedgwick, 15, of 22402 Shadycroft Lane, and then robbed him and the girl of \$11. After the shooting, Henderson said he abandoned his car in Hollywood Riviera, changed his clothes, got a butch haircut and dyed his hair.

Henderson's mother is here from Colorado and has retained an attorney.

TRIED AS ADULT—Wilburn A. Henderson will be tried as an adult for the shooting of a 15-year-old South High School co-ed, although he is himself only 16, after Juvenile Court turned him over to the Municipal Court. He is leaving Torrance court room here following arraignment. With him is Deputy Sheriff David Rosenberger.

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No Funds Allocated for Local Freeway Building

Only a tiny fraction of a record \$610,711,862 budget will be spent on freeway construction that can even remotely help traffic conditions in the Torrance-South Bay area.

Although \$17,500,000 was allocated to the San Diego Freeway construction, the bulk of it will be spent in Long Beach.

The State Highway Commission which announced its annual budget for the 1959-60 fiscal year, appropriated only \$2,500,000 for a stretch of the San Diego Freeway from Manchester Blvd. to Vesta St. in Inglewood.

Leaders of the eight South Bay cities, including Torrance, appeared before the commission last August to request allocation of funds for the San Diego

Freeway construction from Inglewood to its connection with the Harbor Freeway at 190th and Figueroa Sts.

The bulk of San Diego Freeway construction funds will go for a section from Alameda to Studebaker Rd. in Long Beach, at a cost of \$15,000,000.

Another \$15,000,000 was allocated for right-of-way purchases for the San Diego Freeway.

ANNIVERSARY FETE

Golden anniversary of the founding of the Tuberculosis and Health Association of Los Angeles County will be celebrated Oct. 22 when more than 500 regular volunteer workers are feted at Association headquarters, 1670 Beverly Blvd.

Heat Wave No Need to Sweat, Woman Learns

Mrs. Jack Zwagastra didn't even have to work up sweat in this hot spell to rent her one-bedroom house at 22845 Hawthorne Blvd., despite the hot spell.

She simply inserted a classified ad in the Torrance Press and sat back. Six people called her about the ad, and she had no problem finding a suitable client.

If you have something to sell, buy or rent, just call an ad-taker at the Torrance Press, FA 8-2345, and she will give you courteous and efficient assistance.



HIT RULING—Legislation to allow police to withhold the names of narcotics informers is being sought by police chiefs who held meeting in Torrance Thursday. Discussing mutual problems are from left: Chief Harry P. Severns of

Hawthorne, George Brereton, assistant director of the Division of Criminal Law and Enforcement, Chief Percy Bennett of Torrance, and Chief Carl C. Cupp of Inglewood.

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